

Women's Activities . . .

By MARY VONDERAHE



Miss Mitchell

Miss Mitchell Is Betrothed

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Mitchell of 1323 Madrid avenue are formally announcing the engagement of their daughter, Carolyn Louise to Mr. John Peter Amott, of Redlands, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin T. Amott, of Laguna Beach.

The announcement first was made on St. Valentine's Day to Carolyn's classmates at University of Redlands who had gathered in Grossmont Hall.

Miss Mitchell, in her senior year, is studying to prepare for a teaching career. She was graduated from Torrance High School. Her bridegroom-elect just returned from Korea where he has been a civil service employee with the Postoffice Department.

He attended University of Redlands and served two years overseas with the United States Navy.

The popular young couple plan an August wedding in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

RUMMAGE, BAKE SALE SET BY R.N.A. LODGE

Torrance Camp, Royal Neighbors of America, report that their card party held in Torrance Woman's Clubhouse Tuesday evening was a very successful affair. Bridge, 500, pinocle and bingo were the games played. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Ionia Steele and her committee.

At the meeting scheduled for March 1, plans will be made for a rummage sale to be held March 24, 25, and 26 in the building formerly occupied by Torrance Herald, 1336 El Prado. The ladies plan a bake sale to be held on the 28th.

Woman's Club Schedules Annual Spring Carnival

Committee heads for the Torrance Woman's Club-sponsored fifth annual spring carnival, set for March 12 in the clubhouse, are busy with their plans to make this year's benefit affair an outstanding success.

Mrs. B. T. Whitney, ways and means chairman, and Mrs. R. R. Smith, her co-chairman for the carnival, have arranged for manifold attractions to appeal to all ages.

Mrs. Paul Loranger, poster chairman, has been promised especially attractive colorful posters for the affair by Torrance High School art students.

Mrs. Myron Russell has been very generous in distributing to club members tickets for a box of beautiful household linens and a floral painting to be given away on the evening of the 12th.

She states that the gifts will be displayed later in the windows of El Prado Furniture Store. For the younger fry, the ladies have planned a circus cake and a delightfully appealing rocking horse nursery lamp, both of which will be given away on the carnival day.

Booths and games for youngsters and their parents will bring many novelties and attractions.

The splendid response of Torrance merchants in offering merchandise to be used as prizes for the affair has been most gratifying to the carnival directors.

Among the contributors are O. K. Pet Shop, National Home Appliance, Bensons, and others.

Honorary Membership Award Is Presented to President

Members of the Perry Parent Teachers Association met Tuesday afternoon under the leadership of their president Mrs. A. B. Cowie, in celebration of Founders Day.

Following the pledge of allegiance, led by Mrs. W. A. Gunter, Mrs. Cowie read the inspirational message in the absence of the program chairman, Mrs. Harry Van Bellehem.

Chairmen's reports preceded election of a nominating committee to select next year's officers. Elected to serve are: Mmes. Virgil Florea, Jack Farmer, R. McKernon, Miss Gilda Oliveri, First Grade teacher; and R. C. Morton, Perry principal.

President Cowie selected a committee for the next meeting's program which will be prepared and presented by the PTA fathers. Serving on the committee are Messrs. L. S. Clemmons, Thomas Baker, and W. A. Gunter.

Mrs. C. H. Turner of Redondo Beach, active in PTA work for 28 years and past State president of C.C.O.P.T., as guest speaker chose as her topic, "Background of the PTA."

Mrs. W. C. Graham conducted the candlelighting ceremony with the assistance of Mmes. George Simonson, Irving Winther, C. R. Crewse, Warren Gunther and C. Lewis.

Hospitality Chairman Mrs. C. R. Crewse presented corsages to the past presidents in attendance, Mmes. George Easterling and W. C. Graham.

Mrs. Graham, Perry's PTA Torrance Welfare Council representative, told what is being done for needy families in the Torrance district.

Mrs. C. H. Turner presented an honorary life membership to Mrs. A. B. Cowie and commended her on the fine work she has done during her two years as association president.

Hostesses for the social hour were mothers from the Second Grade room.

Sandor Gives 'Outstanding' Performance

Gyorgy Sandor, pianist, was presented by the Community Concert Association in the Torrance High School Auditorium in one of the most outstanding and brilliant piano recitals ever given.

His rich background, not only in piano with Bela Bartok, but his tremendous knowledge of composition for his supreme mastery of his instrument and the ease and skill with which he accomplishes results—there is in Sandor complete knowledge of what he wants to do and a real sense of mastery. Never have we heard a left hand such as his, accomplishing the most difficult numbers with ease and perfection.

Beethoven's Sonata in F Minor was played brilliantly in the first movement, followed by the Andante of peaceful yearning and closing with the tempestuous Finale and Coda. A little later in the program Robert Schumann's "The Prophet Bird" brought forth such beauty of tone in a performance one cannot forget, to be followed by the brilliant "Funeralles" by Liszt.

After intermission came the "Fantaisie in F Minor" and five Etudes by Frederic Chopin, the most outstanding and electrifying number done on Sandor's program. One sat boldly upright, fascinated and delighted with his interpretations, his consummate skill in use of the pedal and his complete sense of mastery of the piano.

The last part of the program, playing the "Rondo" by Bartok, "Dance of Terror" by de Falla and his own skill in composition showing forth in Dukas-Sandor arrangement of the symphonic "Sorcerer's Apprentice" reached a tremendous climax. Well-chosen encores delighted his listeners and especially beautiful was the C# Minor Waltz by Chopin. Long will Sandor's performances live in our memory.

Club Group Entertained At Luncheon

Delicately luted peach blossoms used Thursday afternoon by Mrs. R. J. Deininger for her table centerpiece created a springlike setting when she entertained at luncheon and bridge.

Her guests were members of her bridge club, Mesdames Grover C. Whyte, J. W. Post, J. R. Klink, C. T. Rippey, George Peckham, C. C. Schultz, and J. S. Lancaster.

Scoring at bridge were Mesdames Whyte and Post. Mrs. Lancaster will open her

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Reciprocity Luncheon is Set by Club

Torrance Woman's Club members will be hostesses on Wednesday afternoon, March 2, when they entertain at the annual reciprocity luncheon.

Guests will be presidents or other representatives of clubs in nearby cities. A representative group of Los Angeles County and district officers, C.F.W.C., will be guests of honor.

An especially pleasing program arranged by Mrs. S. V. Rauss, program chairman, will feature Philharmonie Trio, Laxine Martin, pianist; Martin Park, violinist; and Joseph Di Tullio, violoncellist. Acclaimed and famed critics and discriminating musical audiences, the artists have promised an outstanding performance.

Reservations for the catered luncheon may be made with Mrs. B. C. Buxton, 274, until Monday at noon.

BROWNIE SCRAP BOOKS DELIGHT CHILD PATIENTS

Members of Brownie Troop No. 510, sponsored by Shoe String Community Association, are proud of their scrap books, a project recently completed for the enjoyment of patients of the Children's Ward at Harbor General Hospital.

The books were presented Monday by Mrs. Robert Reid, troop leader, whose co-leader is Mrs. Ed. Thayne.



MISS BETTY JEAN FAGAN

Betty Fagan, Don M. Hartel Reveal Troth

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Paul Fagan, of 1636 W. 220th street, have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Betty Jean, to Mr. Don Merritt Hartel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merritt W. Hartel of 1513 W. 215th street.

Miss Fagan was graduated from Torrance High School with the class of June '48 and since has been employed with the May Co. in their accounting offices. Her fiancé received his diploma from the same school and is now an employe of Torrance Postoffice.

First Methodist Church will be the setting for the nuptial ceremony to be solemnized on the evening of April 1.

DINNER PARTY IS COMPLIMENT TO MRS. C. B. PATTON

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Shepherd, of 807 Beech avenue entertained at dinner Sunday honoring Mrs. Carl B. Patton on the occasion of her birthday.

Covers were arranged for the honor guest and her husband; Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Meyer

MONTH'S PROGRAM IS OUTLINED BY VETERANS' WIVES

At the Feb. 16 meeting of the W.O.V.S., program plans for the coming month were discussed.

Mrs. Betty Bauer, chairman of the program committee, told of a movie on child psychology which has been obtained through the help of Miss Elizabeth Hawkins of the San Pedro Y.W.C.A.

Mrs. Eleanor Conroy, corresponding secretary, will write to obtain tickets for the theater party which has been planned for sometime in May. The show which has been chosen is "The Blackouts" and will be preceded by a barbeque at the Westwood home of Mrs. Conroy's parents.

Mrs. Jackie Bauer, president, outlined a plan for a sewing class. Mr. Gardner, principal of Adult Education in San Pedro, will arrange the class if the enrollment can exceed 30 members.

The swimming party planned for Feb. 22 at the San Pedro Y.M.C.A. has been canceled until further notice.

LOMITA-SAN PEDRO PTA COUNCIL TO MEET MARCH 1ST.

The auditorium of the Southern Counties Gas Co. at 8th and Grand avenue, San Pedro will be the meeting place for the Lomita-San Pedro PTA Council Tuesday morning, March 1st at 9:45 a.m.

Electron of officers will follow the first portion of the morning when reports will be checked from various associations which the council embraces.

GAY VALENTINE PARTY FETES G. S. TROOP 610

Members of Girl Scout Troop 610 Thursday evening were hostesses at a Valentine party with Boy Scout Troop No. 216 as their guests. Dancing was the evening diversion, highlighted by a period devoted to dance instruction by a group of Los Angeles Marine Scouts. At the close of the session, the Torrance group was fairly proficient in executing a new dance, "Cotton Eyed Joe". The Virginia Reel concluded the dance period, and during the refreshment hour, valentines were exchanged.

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